

Tox-A-Way Every Day

(Tuesday through Saturday)

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Summary

Five-day-a-week drop-off program at a site donated by the City of Mishawaka and staffed by city employees under a cooperative arrangement with the Solid Waste Management District of St. Joseph County.

Start date/hours

Began in August 1994; operates Tuesday through Saturday, 9 am. to 3 pm.

Cost

Budgeted at \$40,000 for the first year of operation.

Program Description

The HHW collection program of the Solid Waste Management District of St. Joseph County is one of the leading programs in Indiana in terms of the amount of material collected. The five-day-per-week service, although new, is an outgrowth of smaller-scale programs which have given HHW management a fairly high profile in the community.

The first collection programs in the area were held on three Saturdays in May 1990, sponsored by the Health Department of the City of South Bend. Two collections were held in South Bend, one in Mishawaka, and 26 tons of HHW was processed altogether. The \$30,000 management cost was covered entirely by donations. The following year a monthly collection was established — third Saturdays, March through October. This operated through October 1993 and became well known and patronized. On the final Saturday of the 1993 season, 500 cars arrived with various quantities of HHW. During that single day of collection, 24 tons of material was received and processed — possibly a state record for a single day.

In 1994, the responsibility for HHW service shifted to the Solid Waste Management District of St. Joseph County. The program that has since developed illustrates how local governments, working together, can respond to community needs in a prompt and efficient manner. In this instance, the City of Mishawaka and the Solid Waste District have cooperated in establishing and developing a site; staffing and training workers; and contracting for disposal of HHW.

Mishawaka donated the use of the site — an unused portion of city property adjacent to an old but still active dumping ground for tree trimmings and brush (now being used in part for chipping and composting). Then: The district bought the

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CERTIFICATION:

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE LISTED HAZARDOUS WASTE WAS GENERATED FROM A NORMAL HOUSEHOLD

ACTIVITIES AND IS NOT PART OF ANY COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY AND MEETS THE EXCLUSIONARY REQUIREMENTS FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZAROUS WASTE AS STATED IN 40 CFR 260.

(SIGNATURE)

(DATE)

HAVE YOU PARTICIPATED IN THIS PROGRAM BEFORE? ____ YES ____ NO

WHERE DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM?

NEWSPAPER _____ TELEVISION _____ RADIO _____ FRIEND _____

OTHER _____

IN THE COLLECTION THAT YOU HAVE BROUGHT TO US TODAY, IS IT ONE (1) HOUSEHOLD? OR MULTIPLE HOUSEHOLDS? _____ HOW MANY HOUSEHOLDS? _____

DISPOSAL LOCATION

(IFRIN)

(IFRM0)

(XLDIL)

(OTHER)